## **PATENT**

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:	)
Miller et al.	) Confirmation No.: 8860
Serial No.: 10/068,313	) Art Unit: 2144
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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR	) Docket No.: 710101.1020
MANAGING ELEMENTS OF A	)
COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK	(

## **FIFTH RESPONSE**

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In regard to the outstanding final Office Action of October 4, 2006, Applicants submit the following Fifth Response with remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Thomas, Kayden, Horstemeyer, & Risley, L.L.P. Deposit Account No. 20-0778.